

Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows.

On page 2, please replace the first full paragraph with the following replacement paragraph:

A sealing element is formed from a desirably shaped body of a sealant material formulated from a first polymer in a concentration of about 25 percent to about 40 percent, an inert filler material in a concentration of about 20 percent to about 45 percent and a hydrocarbon resin in a concentration of about 1 percent to about 15 percent. ~~It will be appreciated that the preceding composition percentages, and all composition percentages identified in the present disclosure, are expressed in terms of weight of the sealant material.~~